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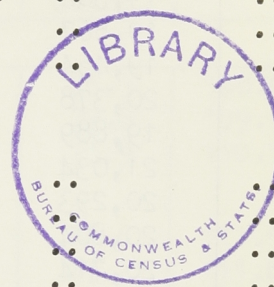
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Period	Marriages	Births	Deaths	Population	
				Whole State (a)	Metro-politan (b)
1952-53	19,302	54,108	22,514	2,395,254	1,359,100
1953-54	19,567	53,910	23,054	2,452,341	1,388,800
1954-55	19,454	55,497	22,407	2,517,229	1,544,500
1955-56	20,378	57,627	22,657	2,593,468	1,595,300
1956-57	19,889	59,185	24,355	2,656,257	1,677,100
1957-58	21,034	60,136	23,831	2,718,482	1,726,100
1958-59	20,293	62,799	25,107	2,785,905	1,777,700
1959-60	20,804	62,518	24,488	2,857,389	1,831,100
1960-61	20,714	66,049	24,546	2,930,113	1,911,895
1961-62	22,003	65,644	24,732	2,991,471	1,956,400
1958 -					
Dec. Qr.	5,889	15,812	5,800	2,745,165	n.a.
1959 -					
Mar. Qr.	5,312	14,715	5,609	2,769,778	n.a.
June Qr.	5,064	16,304	6,679	2,785,905	1,770,700
Sep. Qr.	4,246	15,465	6,860	2,799,973	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,834	15,761	5,930	2,811,429	n.a.
1960 -					
Mar. Qr.	5,277	15,229	5,584	2,842,439	n.a.
June Qr.	5,447	16,063	6,114	2,857,389	1,831,100
Sep. Qr.	4,078	17,019(c)	7,861(c)	2,875,034	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,825	15,714(c)	4,988(c)	2,888,290	n.a.
1961 -					
Mar. Qr.	5,510	16,465(c)	5,655(c)	2,914,195	n.a.
June Qr.	5,301	16,851	6,042	2,930,113	1,911,895
Sep. Qr.	4,381	16,371	6,997	2,943,555	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	6,072	16,199	5,806	2,950,790	n.a.
1962 -					
Mar. Qr.	5,520	16,577	5,546	2,978,154	n.a.
June Qr.	6,030	16,497	6,383	2,991,471	1,956,400
Sep. Qr.	4,909	16,292	7,492	3,005,173	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	6,034	16,524	6,426	3,013,447	n.a.

(a) At end of each period.

(b) At middle of each period to 1955-56 and at the end of each period thereafter.

Metropolitan Statistical Division was re-defined and enlarged in 1954 and 1961.

(c) Owing to changes in the registration procedure, figures for September and December quarters, 1960, and March quarter, 1961 are not strictly comparable with those for corresponding quarters of other years.

n.a. : Not available.

VICTORIA - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT
(Excluding Rural Workers, Female Private Domestics, and Defence Forces)
(*000)

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Month	Total Employees			Total Employees in Main Industrial Groups				
	Government (a)	Private Employ- ers	Total	Fac- tories	Building and Con- struc- tion	Trans- port and Comm- unic- ation	Commerce and Finance	Pro- fessional and Personal Services (b)
<u>MALES</u>								
1960 - June	168.9	454.5	623.4	268.1	50.7	75.3	108.9	61.2
1961 - June	174.9	444.5	619.4	255.7	51.9	79.0	109.5	62.8
1962 - June	175.1	449.4	624.5	265.5	46.6	75.9	110.7	64.8
1962 -								
Jan.	174.6	447.0	621.6	262.0	46.8	76.6	111.5	63.3
Feb.	176.0	449.5	625.5	264.0	46.9	77.2	111.8	64.4
Mar.	176.2	449.9	626.1	264.8	47.3	77.0	111.4	64.6
1963 -								
Jan.	176.0	461.2	637.2	274.2	44.9	76.3	114.0	66.1
Feb.	178.1	r462.8	r640.9	r275.2	45.3	77.2	113.7	67.8
Mar.	178.3	464.2	642.5	276.4	45.9	77.1	113.5	68.0
<u>FEMALES</u>								
1960 - June	46.6	221.5	268.1	106.1	1.7	11.9	65.7	72.3
1961 - June	48.6	212.9	261.5	96.2	1.8	12.1	66.2	74.5
1962 - June	50.6	221.8	272.4	104.6	1.8	11.9	66.7	76.4
1962 -								
Jan.	48.5	218.7	267.2	102.6	1.8	12.1	66.3	73.4
Feb.	50.8	222.2	273.0	105.4	1.8	12.0	66.9	76.0
Mar.	50.9	223.1	274.0	106.2	1.8	12.0	66.9	76.2
1963 -								
Jan.	50.3	227.3	277.6	108.3	1.9	12.0	67.5	76.7
Feb.	r 51.6	r229.9	281.5	r110.7	1.9	12.0	67.6	78.2
Mar.	52.0	230.5	282.5	111.6	1.9	12.1	67.5	78.2
<u>PERSONS</u>								
1960 - June	215.5	676.0	891.5	374.2	52.4	87.2	174.6	133.5
1961 - June	223.5	657.4	880.9	351.9	53.7	91.1	175.7	137.3
1962 - June	225.7	671.2	896.9	370.1	48.4	87.8	177.4	141.2
1962 -								
Jan.	223.1	665.7	888.8	364.6	48.6	88.7	177.8	136.7
Feb.	226.8	671.7	898.5	369.4	48.7	89.2	178.7	140.4
Mar.	227.1	673.0	900.1	371.0	49.1	89.0	178.3	140.8
1963 -								
Jan.	226.3	688.5	914.8	382.5	46.8	88.3	181.5	142.8
Feb.	r229.7	692.7	r922.4	385.9	47.2	89.2	181.3	146.0
Mar.	230.3	694.7	925.0	388.0	47.8	89.2	181.0	146.2

(a) Commonwealth, State, local and allied governmental authorities.

(b) Includes education, health, hotels, and restaurants.

r : Revised.

4. VICTORIA - UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS, AND SPECIAL BENEFITS:
NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BENEFITS AND AMOUNTS PAID IN BENEFITS

Period	Number on Benefits (a)				Amount Paid in Benefits during Period			
	Unem- ployment	Sick- ness	Special		Unem- ployment	Sick- ness	Special	
			Ordinary	Migrants (b)			Ordinary	Migrants (c)
							£	
1952-53	6,168	1,732	358	..	923,732	370,354	58,344	82,222
1953-54	2,698	1,987	458	..	507,676	405,414	78,490	48,552
1954-55	538	1,991	544	..	99,305	387,452	80,358	41,845
1955-56	479	1,684	528	..	74,664	345,171	83,878	43,559
1956-57	3,349	1,607	525	..	530,959	339,414	84,630	70,496
1957-58	5,127	1,604	557	..	1,011,800	406,032	106,158	115,576
1958-59	5,743	1,871	627	419	1,224,299	508,980	126,441	60,556
1959-60	4,267	2,071	742	319	935,501	546,165	148,009	54,077
1960-61	4,884	2,085	879	369	895,640	542,147	175,267	58,495
1961-62	14,783	2,327	961	443	3,603,255	646,821	209,583	68,941
1959 -								
Nov.	3,727	2,194	744	108	67,438	45,652	14,498	503
Dec.	4,044	2,131	731	423	48,761	33,780	9,931	2,586
1960 -								
Jan.	3,946	2,027	726	440	80,029	47,007	9,845	5,230
Feb.	3,263	2,022	767	101	62,121	43,646	14,732	4,914
Mar.	3,254	1,998	763	374	68,182	59,161	14,302	3,805
Apr.	3,588	2,017	769	631	56,331	43,588	11,412	4,672
Nov.	1,797	2,195	884	55	31,811	41,906	11,532	3,714
Dec.	2,116	2,111	891	123	25,539	45,440	16,433	1,205
1961 -								
Jan.	2,169	1,984	887	370	33,473	38,883	10,743	857
Feb.	2,341	2,008	923	70	37,536	47,243	13,933	9,945
Mar.	4,192	1,918	931	305	47,568	42,675	14,287	3,725
Apr.	7,537	2,021	956	947	78,235	39,249	15,525	5,984
Nov.	13,130	2,378	944	103	281,559	54,771	17,687	5,312
Dec.	13,356	2,378	981	543	214,888	45,939	15,509	678
1962 -								
Jan.	13,679	2,220	976	207	321,127	41,093	14,690	1,272
Feb.	11,416	2,247	963	38	245,897	49,921	14,964	3,596
Mar.	11,062	2,267	972	314	248,729	57,926	15,920	2,287
Apr.	13,325	2,347	976	110	264,175	66,997	20,327	2,950
Nov.	7,504	2,541	1,096	93	201,105	73,055	22,029	1,020
Dec.	7,796	2,148	946	245	160,403	56,609	18,852	900
1963 -								
Jan.	8,059	2,221	1,063	138	218,581	73,586	22,757	5,250
Feb.	6,839	2,321	1,082	101	161,985	61,376	19,304	4,305
Mar.	6,268	2,366	1,058	177	146,761	64,552	19,752	2,028
Apr.	7,389	2,199	1,063	199	141,662	62,825	21,016	1,928

Source : Department of Social Services.

(a) Average of monthly figures for financial years, and thereafter on benefit on last Saturday of month.

(b) Not available prior to July, 1958.

(c) In reception and training centres.

Period	Number of Disputes	Workers Involved			Working Days Lost	Estimated Loss in Wages £'000
		Directly	Indirectly (b)	Total		
1957-58	65	44,701	548	45,249	83,105	287
1958-59	56	15,307	1,172	16,479	42,118	146
1959-60	76	71,686	307	72,493	68,554	255
1960-61	105	76,272	733	77,005	113,046	461
1961-62	103	29,746	733	30,479	35,365	150
1961 -						
Mar. Qr.	28	13,735	221	13,956	26,283	119
June Qr.	25	29,273	512	29,785	32,802	130
Sep. Qr.	20	5,744	200	5,944	5,380	23
Dec. Qr.	18	2,695	367	3,062	8,006	33
1962 -						
Mar. Qr.	28	4,321	166	4,487	8,412	37
June Qr.	37	16,986	..	16,986	13,567	57
Sep. Qr.	46	20,464	120	20,584	31,440	130
Dec. Qr.	55	30,754	434	31,188	47,187	194

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.

(b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppage occurred, but who were not themselves parties to the dispute.

VICTORIA - MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES (a)

End of Month	Rates of Wages (b)								Index Numbers (Base : Australia 1954 = 100)			
	Adult Males				Adult Females				Adult Males		Adult Females	
	Manuf-acturing	All Ind-ustries	Manuf-acturing	All Ind-ustries	Manuf-acturing	All Ind-ustries	Manuf-acturing	All Ind-ustries	Manuf-acturing	All Ind-ustries	Manuf-acturing	All Ind-ustries
	s.d.											
1958-December	318	1	319	8	222	8	227	6	112.6	113.2	111.8	114.3
1959-December	342	8	344	2	236	11	241	3	121.3	121.9	119.0	121.2
1960-December	347	10	349	11	241	2	246	7	123.2	123.9	121.1	123.9
1961-December	360	6	362	1	250	3	256	7	127.6	128.2	125.7	128.9
1962-December	361	3	363	6	250	6	256	8	127.9	128.7	125.8	128.9
1963 - Jan.	361	4	363	7	(c)		(c)		127.9	128.7	(c)	(c)
Feb.	361	5	363	8	(c)		(c)		128.0	128.8	(c)	(c)
Mar.	361	6	363	8	250	6	256	8	128.0	128.8	125.8	128.9

(a) Indexes of weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime) and index numbers of wages rates, as prescribed in awards, determinations, and agreements. The indexes are designed to measure movements in prescribed minimum rates of "wages" as distinct from "salaries".

Consequently, awards, etc., relating mainly to salary earners are excluded. Rural industries are also excluded.

(b) The money amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money terms.

(c) Figures are available only at the end of each quarter.

Month of Change	Under Commonwealth Awards	Under Determinations of State Wages Boards
	£. s. d	£. s. d
1950 - November	7. 3. 0	7. 3. 0
December	8. 2. 0 (b)	8. 2. 0 (b)
1951 - May	8.17. 0	8.17. 0
1952 - May	10.12. 0	10.12. 0
1953 - May	11.12. 0	11.12. 0
August	11.15. 0	11.15. 0
November	..	11.17. 0
1954 - August	..	11.16. 0
1955 - May	..	11.17. 0
1956 - May	..	12.16. 0
June	12. 5. 0 (b)	..
August	..	13. 3. 0
1957 - May	12.15. 0 (b)	..
1958 - May	13. 0. 0 (b)	..
1959 - June	13.15. 0 (b)	13.15. 0 (b)
1961 - July	14. 7. 0 (b)	14. 7. 0 (b)

(a) Covers selected rates but does not include all of the variations since November, 1950.

(b) Rates declared subsequent to a Commonwealth basic wage enquiry.

Female rates : Since December, 1950, female rates have been 75% of the corresponding male rates; previously they have varied according to the award or determination under which they were payable.

NOTE: Up to August, 1953, basic wage rates under Wages Boards' Determinations generally followed those fixed by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration. In September, 1953, automatic quarterly adjustments of the basic wage were discontinued by the Commonwealth Court, but were continued for State Wages Boards' Determinations until August, 1956.

VICTORIA - AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (a)
(£)

Period	Sep.Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Year
1954-55	17.24	18.04	16.73	18.35	17.59
1955-56	18.30	19.26	17.95	19.61	18.78
1956-57	19.44	20.45	18.78	20.12	19.70
1957-58	19.97	21.27	19.14	20.49	20.22
1958-59	20.52	21.85	19.44	20.97	20.69
1959-60	21.60	22.68	21.52	23.30	22.28
1960-61	23.22	24.42	22.29	23.34	23.32
1961-62	r 23.52	r 24.78	r 23.13	r 24.43	r 23.96
1962-63	24.18	r 25.38	23.93		

(a) Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male earnings.

NOTE: Comparisons of trends should be made for complete years. Quarterly averages are affected by seasonal influences.

r : Revised.

MELBOURNE - CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(Base of Each Group : Year 1952-53 = 100)

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Period	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Misc- ellaneous	All Groups
1955-56	112.2	102.8	113.8	101.6	108.3	108.1
1956-57	117.8	104.9	122.8	105.2	117.8	114.0
1957-58	114.3	108.4	127.3	106.2	118.8	114.4
1958-59	116.1	109.6	129.4	109.2	122.2	116.6
1959-60	120.8	110.7	135.8	110.9	125.5	120.0
1960-61	130.2	112.8	151.2	112.5	129.2	125.9
1961-62	127.8	114.0	157.5	114.1	129.3	126.3
1961 - Dec. Qr.	128.1	114.1	157.7	114.3	129.5	126.5
1962 - Mar. Qr.	126.6	114.2	158.1	114.2	129.0	125.9
June Qr.	125.6	114.2	159.2	114.4	129.5	125.9
Sep. Qr.	126.5	114.3	159.5	114.2	129.5	126.2
Dec. Qr.	126.1	114.4	160.8	114.1	129.5	126.2
1963 - Mar. Qr.	125.5	114.4	161.3	113.8	129.6	126.0

VICTORIA - OIL INDUSTRY : SALES OF MAIN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS (a)
('000 gall.)

Period	Aviation Gasoline	Motor Spirit (b)	Aviation Turbine Fuel	Lighting Kerosene (c)	Power Kerosene	Diesel Oil (d)		Furnace Oil(d)(e)
						Auto- motive	Indus- trial	
1957-58	7,570	313,775	6,778	14,411	18,765	41,719	47,502	135,863
1958-59	6,513	336,485	8,297	15,301	18,721	45,341	50,329	133,079
1959-60	4,369	366,210	17,322	16,078	16,909	49,950	52,837	142,293
1960-61	4,185	392,178	15,351	16,847	16,195	56,698	55,754	114,955
1961-62	3,583	404,832	16,177	15,209	13,994	59,150	54,379	122,616
1961 - Nov.	333	35,237	1,390	860	1,459	5,418	4,101	8,856
Dec.	311	34,259	1,323	676	1,288	4,569	3,503	9,441
1962 - Jan.	247	34,360	1,487	843	1,147	4,629	3,357	7,472
Feb.	317	32,718	1,407	995	1,248	5,116	3,757	7,767
Mar.	349	36,167	1,426	1,101	1,164	5,699	3,912	n.a.
Apr.	295	33,586	1,300	979	1,255	4,635	4,140	9,326
Nov.	323	37,397	1,433	918	1,404	5,884	4,649	12,312
Dec.	335	36,017	1,421	661	1,108	4,843	3,322	8,720
1963 - Jan.	264	37,920	1,389	829	1,143	5,403	3,473	10,177
Feb.	285	34,105	1,322	1,156	999	5,199	3,722	11,169
Mar.	379	37,925	1,548	1,469	1,095	5,815	4,088	12,290
Apr.	297	36,306	1,453	1,440	1,144	5,772	4,570	13,147

Source : Division of Fuel, Department of National Development.

(a) State marketing area, which includes the whole of Victoria, plus the Riverina district in N.S.W. (c) Includes heating oil.

(b) Includes super and standard grades. (d) Excludes bunker oil.

(e) Excludes refinery fuel.

n.a. Not available.

VICTORIA - PRODUCTION STATISTICS
SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

Period	Elec- tricity	Gas	Sul- phuric Acid	Super- phos- phate	Brown Coal	Butter (b)	Meat (c)	Flour (Wheaten)
	mill. kWh.	mill. cub.ft.			'000 tons			'000 short tons
1952-53	3,193	13,136	220.4	571.3	8,075	57.32	294.7	591.4
1953-54	3,693	13,715	252.9	659.5	8,731	63.61	292.5	473.8
1954-55	4,151	14,290	275.1	722.9	9,668	79.51	320.4	452.5
1955-56	4,647	14,461	296.3	760.2	10,383	90.67	306.8	451.5
1956-57	4,991	15,746	269.2	642.9	10,772	88.60	311.4	450.8
1957-58	5,321	16,684	314.6	773.9	10,859	86.18	374.1	473.0
1958-59	5,704	17,306	308.5	775.2	12,337	88.13	405.9	418.8
1959-60	6,198	17,992	323.1	855.0	14,028	89.39	406.2	423.1
1960-61	6,556	18,097	319.6	867.7	15,730	89.36	359.8	463.6
1961-62	6,757	18,323	324.0	872.8	16,933	95.90	429.8	455.5
1960 -								
Oct.	560	1,534	23.0	59.0	1,299	13.53	32.5	41.7
Nov.	544	1,447	14.0	44.7	1,239	13.77	38.7	38.2
Dec.	488	1,207	24.7	56.9	1,166	12.60	36.9	32.9
1961 -								
Jan.	469	1,050	27.1	68.7	1,203	9.02	31.8	35.5
Feb.	453	1,089	27.3	71.2	1,204	5.61	31.9	40.9
Mar.	484	1,283	31.4	99.2	1,259	4.75	32.0	38.7
Oct.	555	1,452	24.2	64.3	1,369	15.36	41.9	35.3
Nov.	546	1,352	19.1	51.8	1,414	14.43	43.6	35.5
Dec.	510	1,234	17.0	39.5	1,206	11.98	41.3	30.4
1962 -								
Jan.	501	1,149	20.6	56.7	1,241	9.24	39.5	37.2
Feb.	492	1,157	32.2	86.2	1,267	7.03	36.6	39.6
Mar.	567	1,304	32.1	87.4	1,432	5.63	38.7	37.7
Oct.	603	1,713	31.5	84.2	1,502	14.99	45.9	40.1
Nov.	539	1,392	29.4	73.1	1,402	14.77	48.2	37.2
Dec.	507	1,266	29.7	76.5	1,144	13.21	44.8	30.6
1963 -								
Jan.	530	1,164	24.6	76.1	1,339	10.42	42.6	34.1
Feb.	522	1,186	29.9	76.9	1,365	8.10	39.2	32.4
Mar.	565	1,361	35.1	95.4	1,407	6.47	40.0	36.9

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application.

(b) Factory production only.

(c) Bone-in weight.

NOTE : All figures from July, 1961 are subject to revision.

VICTORIA - PRODUCTION STATISTICS
SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

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Period	Beer (b)	Clay Bricks	Roofing Tiles	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Sawn Native Timber	Electric Motors	Motor Bodies	Footwear (c)
	mill. gall.	mill.		'000 sq.yds.	mill. sup.ft.	No.		'000 prs.
1952-53	57.88	164.6	32.31	6,754	322.2	102,857	38,069	11,689
1953-54	63.63	198.5	32.65	6,665	339.0	160,219	63,019	13,873
1954-55	68.09	209.2	35.80	7,343	362.3	168,079	66,056	13,724
1955-56	71.59	225.5	39.36	8,069	351.3	175,313	82,213	14,379
1956-57	67.61	208.1	34.01	7,431	342.3	188,309	64,159	15,231
1957-58	69.34	236.4	34.55	7,621	346.4	213,046	90,495	16,199
1958-59	70.26	257.9	37.49	8,297	344.0	276,444	101,721	18,321
1959-60	74.15	283.2	37.18	8,199	350.3	332,339	132,195	21,081
1960-61	77.11	289.1	34.38	7,658	321.8	350,078	132,353	20,464
1961-62	77.81	260.5	32.03	6,344	296.2	371,065	108,095	21,093
1960 -								
Oct.	6.09	27.5	3.44	740	29.0	33,082	13,220	1,863
Nov.	7.72	26.6	3.46	753	31.5	37,821	14,632	1,935
Dec.	7.84	24.2	2.28	538	24.7	30,337	10,220	1,376
1961 -								
Jan.	8.06	19.6	1.95	502	17.9	22,315	8,645	1,057
Feb.	6.58	22.1	2.66	595	25.4	27,375	10,326	1,585
Mar.	6.83	23.5	2.44	579	26.4	30,672	10,627	1,870
Oct.	7.55	23.7	2.57	548	26.0	32,789	9,144	1,991
Nov.	8.00	22.3	3.02	582	26.4	35,028	10,721	2,052
Dec.	8.51	18.6	2.04	439	20.6	28,314	7,833	1,401
1962 -								
Jan.	6.98	15.6	2.06	421	17.1	22,358	7,309	1,265
Feb.	5.36	20.5	2.75	555	25.0	34,353	9,987	1,775
Mar.	6.51	25.2	2.97	571	28.4	33,741	10,801	1,917
Oct.	7.68	25.7	3.26	618	26.7	45,560	14,592	2,243
Nov.	6.92	26.6	3.15	604	27.4	45,891	15,280	1,902
Dec.	8.33	17.9	2.24	440	23.9	26,819	11,220	1,302
1963 -								
Jan.	7.93	17.0	2.44	423	19.5	24,262	10,403	1,311
Feb.	6.35	22.5	2.91	565	n.a.	31,807	13,604	1,728
Mar.	6.56	24.2	3.21	608	n.a.	34,313	11,384	1,988

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application.

(b) From 1956-57 onwards represents quantity produced (incl. waste) as recorded by Department of Customs and Excise.

(c) Excludes rubber.

n.a. : Not available.

VICTORIA - NEW HOUSES AND FLATS : NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS

Period	Houses (Dwelling Units)				Flats (Dwelling Units)			
	Approved (a)	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Under Constr- uction (b)	Approved (a)	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Under Constr- uction (b)
1952-53	n.a.	16,254	21,284	21,675	n.a.	490	692	685
1953-54	20,693	20,915	21,593	20,995	872	739	689	735
1954-55	23,000	22,674	23,839	19,827	1,157	1,183	781	1,137
1955-56	21,801	21,245	22,652	18,399	776	715	1,273	579
1956-57	19,868	19,649	20,185	17,863	1,259	1,110	897	792
1957-58	22,719	21,933	21,367	18,429	1,380	1,283	1,104	971
1958-59	22,826	22,443	24,329	16,543	1,965	1,826	1,434	1,363
1959-60	24,585	23,201	24,157	15,587	4,480	3,521	2,062	2,822
1960-61	18,432	18,517	22,094	12,010	5,077	4,672	4,183	3,311
1961-62	18,114	18,539	18,969	11,580	3,291	3,001	4,070	2,242
1958 -								
Mar. Qr.	5,641	5,732	5,084	18,186	308	323	205	887
June Qr.	5,864	5,915	5,672	18,429	361	374	290	971
Sep. Qr.	6,382	6,089	6,022	18,496	453	355	364	962
Dec. Qr.	5,935	5,428	6,669	17,255	528	321	407	876
1959 -								
Mar. Qr.	4,707	5,438	5,553	17,140	298	526	329	1,073
June Qr.	5,802	5,488	6,085	16,543	686	624	334	1,363
Sep. Qr.	6,077	5,558	5,856	16,245	806	542	415	1,490
Dec. Qr.	6,087	5,878	6,503	15,620	778	771	616	1,645
1960 -								
Mar. Qr.	6,065	5,754	5,509	15,865	1,130	964	392	2,217
June Qr.	6,356	6,011	6,289	15,587	1,766	1,244	639	2,822
Sep. Qr.	6,058	5,904	6,264	15,227	1,985	1,570	917	3,475
Dec. Qr.	5,007	4,986	6,484	13,729	1,686	1,778	1,180	4,073
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	3,184	3,856	4,713	12,872	544	628	858	3,843
June Qr.	4,183	3,771	4,633	12,010	862	696	1,228	3,311
Sep. Qr.	4,581	4,755	4,517	12,248	733	755	1,260	2,806
Dec. Qr.	4,355	4,464	4,877	11,835	992	696	1,101	2,401
1962 -								
Mar. Qr.	4,384	4,619	4,491	11,963	656	798	794	2,405
June Qr.	4,794	4,701	5,084	11,580	910	752	915	2,242
Sep. Qr.	5,549	5,160	4,802	11,938	980	1,105	697	2,650
Dec. Qr.	5,597	4,941	5,505	11,374	1,061	869	988	2,531
1963 -								
Mar. Qr.	4,848	(c)5,141	(c)4,723	(c)11,792	833	(c) 801	(c) 754	(c)2,578

(a) Approvals comprise permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let or day labour work approved by government authorities.

(b) At end of period.

(c) Preliminary estimates.

n.a. : Not available.

VICTORIA - VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS
(£'000)

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Period	Houses and Flats	Shops	Fac- tories	Business Premises	Educa- tion	Health	Other	Total
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COMMENCED

1958-59	78,887	6,036	16,599	14,518	5,314	2,157	8,096	131,607
1959-60	90,865	6,495	19,270	17,319	8,990	2,325	8,340	153,604
1960-61	84,173	5,176	21,126	15,380	10,311	5,211	13,999	155,376
1961-62	77,642	3,745	22,447	18,691	12,058	4,446	13,064	152,093
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	16,509	1,157	4,047	2,171	1,615	1,459	6,241	33,199
June Qr.	16,518	1,066	4,589	1,925	3,445	629	2,428	30,600
Sep. Qr.	19,809	811	5,452	2,174	2,318	1,204	2,009	33,777
Dec. Qr.	18,800	626	4,500	2,556	4,678	1,318	3,289	35,767
1962 -								
Mar. Qr.	19,538	1,116	6,503	4,012	3,315	1,104	4,513	40,101
June Qr.	19,495	1,192	5,992	9,949	1,747	820	3,253	42,448
Sep. Qr.	23,093	1,030	4,430	2,065	3,018	1,067	2,701	37,404
Dec. Qr.	21,358	782	6,256	3,310	2,562	776	1,679	36,723

COMPLETED

1958-59	84,772	4,761	16,096	13,920	4,495	3,993	9,400	137,437
1959-60	87,208	5,382	21,506	15,301	6,521	2,913	9,331	148,162
1960-61	92,334	6,901	26,581	17,193	7,700	2,724	9,719	163,152
1961-62	84,611	4,302	18,047	11,989	12,577	6,154	10,495	148,175
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	19,999	790	8,061	5,174	2,046	843	3,283	40,196
June Qr.	21,518	1,060	6,112	3,165	3,030	792	2,173	37,850
Sep. Qr.	21,982	1,539	6,808	3,783	2,891	708	3,170	40,881
Dec. Qr.	21,893	1,217	4,156	5,017	1,852	1,815	3,287	39,237
1962 -								
Mar. Qr.	19,283	854	3,574	1,470	3,677	2,849	2,089	33,796
June Qr.	21,453	692	3,509	1,719	4,157	782	1,949	34,261
Sep. Qr.	19,914	1,082	7,296	5,914	1,830	808	6,343	43,187
Dec. Qr.	23,825	1,507	6,590	1,944	1,813	1,262	3,488	40,429

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD

1958-59	55,658	3,434	22,011	14,791	4,071	11,269	8,945	120,179
1959-60	60,859	4,649	19,935	16,864	6,706	10,740	8,020	127,773
1960-61	54,076	2,966	14,816	15,132	9,387	13,274	12,536	122,187
1961-62	48,434	2,449	19,430	22,023	8,992	11,569	15,399	128,296
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	58,854	2,942	16,238	16,329	8,937	13,421	12,198	128,919
June Qr.	54,076	2,966	14,816	15,132	9,387	13,274	12,536	122,187
Sep. Qr.	52,162	2,250	13,622	13,506	8,876	13,767	11,412	115,595
Dec. Qr.	49,359	1,661	13,838	11,177	11,713	13,292	11,448	112,488
1962 -								
Mar. Qr.	49,951	1,932	16,790	13,716	11,345	11,575	13,953	119,262
June Qr.	48,434	2,449	19,430	22,023	8,992	11,569	15,399	128,296
Sep. Qr.	51,848	2,402	16,621	18,521	10,141	11,845	11,759	123,137
Dec. Qr.	49,632	1,683	16,403	19,960	10,888	11,387	10,103	120,056

VICTORIA - STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND (a)

REVENUE
(£'000)

Item	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63 (Estimate)	July-April		
				1960-61	1961-62	1962-63
Taxation	42,142	43,577	45,953	28,780	29,553	30,035
Railways	42,624	42,983	42,901	35,040	34,934	35,147
State Coal Mine	360	245	222	287	206	206
Territorial	2,853	2,866	2,896	2,189	2,273	2,341
Interest	10,344	11,490	12,522	2,579	3,121	3,500
Commonwealth Grants -						
Financial Agreement	2,127	2,127	2,127	1,773	1,773	1,773
Financial Assistance Grants	67,374	73,015	76,091	49,405	53,817	55,831
Special Assistance Grants	..	1,800	2,442	..	..	2,806
All Other Revenue	17,277	18,206	19,835	10,716	10,276	11,241
Total	185,101	196,309	204,989	130,769	135,953	142,880

EXPENDITURE
(£'000)

Item	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63 (Estimate)	July-April		
				1960-61	1961-62	1962-63
Interest, Exchange, &c. (b)	26,221	29,013	32,345	21,167	24,721	27,567
Sinking Fund Contributions	5,749	6,225	6,700	4,780	5,214	5,581
Railways	42,624	42,983	42,901	33,813	35,459	35,963
State Coal Mine	622	562	527.	486	436	383
Social Expenditure -						
Education	40,085	43,949	49,562	31,766	35,664	40,049
Health	24,663	25,907	26,130	19,934	20,831	21,434
Law and Order	11,596	12,326	12,771	9,395	9,871	10,444
Other	3,674	4,224	4,341	2,665	3,605	3,001
Pensions (c)	2,664	2,867	3,128	1,979	2,203	1,736
All Other Expenditure	27,033	28,242	27,211	15,382	15,933	16,901
Total	184,931	196,298	205,616	141,367	153,937	163,059

(a) Tables on this page have been prepared from information published in the Annual Budget Papers and from the monthly statements issued by the State Treasury.

(b) Excluding interest paid on loans received from the Commonwealth Government for Housing and Soldier Settlement. These amounts are included with "All Other Expenditure".

(c) Excluding Railways pensions which are included with Railways expenditure.

VICTORIA - MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE LODGED FOR REGISTRATION
(Lodged under Transfer of Land Acts and Property Law Act)

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Period	Under £5,000		£5,000 and Over		Total (a)	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
		£'000		£'000		£'000
1958-59	37,471	73,285	2,460	32,375	39,931	105,660
1959-60	40,092	83,125	2,938	46,121	43,030	129,246
1960-61	42,091	88,681	3,996	69,774	46,087	158,455
1961-62	36,799	76,109	3,373	48,938	40,172	125,047
1961 -						
Mar. Qr.	9,027	18,764	939	13,165	9,966	31,929
June Qr.	9,344	18,849	900	14,664	10,244	33,513
Sep. Qr.	9,482	19,519	865	12,374	10,347	31,893
Dec. Qr.	9,211	18,998	826	12,771	10,037	31,769
1962 -						
Mar. Qr.	8,298	16,933	792	11,337	9,090	28,270
June Qr.	9,808	20,659	890	12,456	10,698	33,115
Sep. Qr.	11,543	24,534	1,001	16,372	12,544	40,906
Dec. Qr.	11,284	23,778	1,083	14,421	12,367	38,199
1963 -						
Mar. Qr.	9,633	20,589	926	11,804	10,559	32,393

VICTORIA - MORTGAGES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO TYPES OF MORTGAGEES
(£'000)

Period	Banks (a)	Co-operative Housing Societies	Insurance Companies	Commonwealth and State Government Institutions	Others	Total (a)
1958-59	17,210	8,063	16,636	12,603	51,148	105,660
1959-60	20,495	8,354	19,048	13,097	68,252	129,246
1960-61	19,334	10,363	26,614	12,629	89,515	158,455
1961-62	15,446	10,887	15,705	13,085	69,924	125,047
1961 -						
Mar. Qr.	2,363	2,311	5,701	3,342	18,212	31,929
June Qr.	2,497	2,087	6,212	3,103	19,614	33,513
Sep. Qr.	4,406	2,451	4,063	2,977	17,996	31,893
Dec. Qr.	3,166	3,170	4,331	3,157	17,945	31,769
1962 -						
Mar. Qr.	3,416	2,483	3,585	3,084	15,702	28,270
June Qr.	4,458	2,783	3,726	3,867	18,281	33,115
Sep. Qr.	6,703	3,268	4,973	4,039	21,923	40,906
Dec. Qr.	7,655	2,818	4,285	3,308	20,133	38,199
1963 -						
Mar. Qr.	6,914	1,726	2,798	2,990	17,965	32,393

(a) Excluding certain mortgages, principally to trading banks to secure overdrafts on current accounts.

VICTORIA - CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a) : AVERAGE DEPOSITS AND ADVANCES

Period	Deposits			Advances	Ratio of Advances to Total Deposits
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total		
	£'000				%
1952-53	321,396	83,297	404,693	224,091	55.37
1953-54	353,742	90,784	444,526	218,046	49.05
1954-55	367,752	105,717	473,469	249,129	52.62
1955-56	370,587	104,128	474,715	262,672	55.33
1956-57	365,878	111,249	477,127	246,724	51.71
1957-58	375,730	128,772	504,502	251,302	49.81
1958-59	371,873	143,598	515,471	262,590	50.94
1959-60	396,556	151,256	547,812	268,836	49.07
1960-61	384,803	167,826	552,629	313,892	56.80
1961-62	371,666	209,291	580,957	298,071	51.31
1961 - Dec.	380,651	206,252	586,903	293,787	50.06
1962 - Jan.	385,328	207,997	593,325	290,247	48.92
Feb.	392,200	215,197	607,397	291,961	48.07
Mar.	396,033	217,261	613,294	295,267	48.14
1963 - Jan.	383,065	234,395	617,460	301,637	48.85
Feb.	388,958	240,738	629,696	307,852	48.89
Mar.	392,379	238,966	631,345	309,554	49.03

(a) Banks specified in the Banking Act, 1959 (Banking Act 1945-53 prior to 14th January, 1960) and the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia.

VICTORIA - CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a) : DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS
(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at City Branches)
(Weekly Averages £ mill.)

Period	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63
July	185.0	204.6	219.7	251.2	286.0	297.7	335.1
August	165.1	184.0	194.9	228.6	297.4	270.1	291.2
September	183.5	196.6	206.9	247.6	271.4	284.0	311.5
October	192.3	210.5	224.4	262.7	293.9	292.4	322.0
November	194.3	212.5	225.6	265.1	291.9	287.9	313.1
December	202.8	242.8	253.4	297.9	308.3	326.9	340.2
January	188.0	173.5	176.8	227.4	259.0	261.2	299.6
February	206.2	201.9	244.6	260.8	272.0	309.9	345.4
March	207.1	212.5	235.0	273.2	282.4	291.9	336.9
April	210.4	216.5	223.0	266.2	263.7	295.0	
May	214.6	218.2	247.1	291.7	289.5	319.2	
June	201.7	216.9	240.1	292.5	272.3	314.3	

(a) Includes all cheque-paying banks and, in addition, the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank (Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments of the Commonwealth Bank, prior to 14th January, 1960).

Period	Number of Operative Accounts - All Savings Banks (b)	Depositors' Balances				
		State Savings Bank	Commonwealth Savings Bank	Other Savings Banks	All Savings Banks	Per Head of Population
	'000	£'000				£
1954-55	2,154	260,151	104,597	..	364,748	144.9
1955-56	2,234	264,317	110,216	11,644	386,177	148.9
1956-57	2,320	266,276	114,542	30,751	411,569	154.9
1957-58	2,437	272,807	117,805	43,019	433,631	159.5
1958-59	2,565	281,296	122,577	54,581	458,454	164.6
1959-60	2,692	298,136	131,243	70,242	499,621	174.9
1960-61	2,822	308,306	133,672	75,552	517,530	176.6
1961-62	2,984	331,781	142,562	96,506	570,849	191.9
1962 -						
Jan.	2,894	321,604	137,155	87,362	546,121	186.4
Feb.	2,919	322,640	137,694	89,293	549,627	186.7
Mar.	2,940	323,566	138,024	90,254	551,844	187.5
1963 -						
Jan.	3,097	345,078	147,490	121,285	613,853	205.2
Feb.	3,124	346,873	148,391	124,486	619,750	207.2
Mar.	3,148	346,565	148,813	126,881	622,259	206.5

(a) At end of period.

(b) Excluding school bank accounts.

VICTORIA - COMPANIES REGISTERED

Period	New Companies				Number of Existing Companies (a)	
	Number Registered		Nominal Capital		Victorian	Other
	Victorian	Other	Victorian	Other		
			£'000			
1954-55	1,725	127	112,739	81,490	15,627	1,354
1955-56	2,106	152	83,382	117,389	17,702	1,483
1956-57	2,200	138	118,370	45,590	19,531	1,591
1957-58	2,646	191	130,914	87,125	21,662	1,751
1958-59	3,146	211	140,912	151,759	24,525	1,906
1959-60	4,171	248	218,781	145,273	28,340	2,114
1960-61	3,859	257	230,032	99,676	32,146	2,318
1961-62	3,182	252	134,703	81,595	35,031	2,506
1962 -						
Feb.	212	16	14,390	7,661	34,034	2,434
Mar.	248	20	4,050	2,404	34,282	2,453
Apr.	247	23	10,950	2,562	34,529	2,474
1963 -						
Feb.	177	16	2,531	5,891	36,402	2,652
Mar.	214	24	6,544	6,199	36,442	2,676
Apr.	209	13	7,666	1,817	36,651	2,689

Source : Registrar-General.

(a) At end of period.

VICTORIA - LIFE INSURANCE
NEW POLICIES ISSUED (EXCLUDING ANNUITIES)

Period	Ordinary Business		Industrial Business		Superannuation Business		Total	
	Number of Policies	Sum Insured	Number of Policies	Sum Insured	Number of Policies	Sum Insured	Number of Policies	Sum Insured
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1957-58	83,642	154,931	56,678	9,247	)	(	140,320	164,178
1958-59	87,351	163,523	52,053	9,007	)	(	139,404	172,530
1959-60	113,257	227,588	52,111	9,608	) n.a.	n.a. (	165,368	237,196
1960-61	122,315	281,818	50,104	12,977	)	(	172,419	294,795
1961-62	89,196	180,461	45,171	14,262	17,484	102,662	151,851	297,385
1961 -								
Nov.	7,620	14,538	4,025	1,182	953	4,921	12,598	20,641
Dec.	7,687	24,496	3,486	1,385	1,829	22,570	13,002	48,451
1962 -								
Jan.	4,303	7,981	1,152	261	1,197	3,247	6,652	11,489
Feb.	5,668	11,070	3,463	1,038	977	3,254	10,108	15,362
Nov.	7,006	14,310	4,208	1,653	1,300	4,741	12,514	20,704
Dec.	6,880	21,025	2,504	1,166	1,934	14,554	11,318	36,745
1963 -								
Jan.	4,316	8,812	1,110	409	476	2,278	5,902	11,499
Feb.	5,312	10,700	3,028	1,111	1,846	5,131	10,186	16,942

VICTORIA - POLICIES DISCONTINUED OR REDUCED (EXCLUDING ANNUITIES)

Period	Ordinary Business		Industrial Business		Superannuation Business		Total	
	Number of Policies	Sum Insured	Number of Policies	Sum Insured	Number of Policies	Sum Insured	Number of Policies	Sum Insured
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1957-58	52,377	42,711	87,250	7,500	)	(	139,627	50,211
1958-59	53,009	52,115	84,603	7,930	)	(	137,612	60,045
1959-60	71,653	63,420	85,201	7,996	) n.a.	n.a. (	156,854	71,416
1960-61	128,155	98,339	95,221	9,213	)	(	223,376	107,552
1961-62	122,262	118,488	93,639	10,005	)	(	215,901	128,493
1961 -								
Nov.	16,415	8,802	8,436	851	)	(	24,851	9,653
Dec.	11,023	18,716	8,366	945	) n.a.	n.a. (	19,389	19,661
1962 -								
Jan.	4,193	3,881	6,300	700	1,538	1,502	12,031	6,083
Feb.	4,565	4,904	6,488	672	4,330	2,956	15,383	8,532
Nov.	4,530	4,193	8,230	1,078	2,703	313	15,463	5,584
Dec.	5,077	12,190	7,213	884	1,943	35,011	14,233	48,085
1963 -								
Jan.	4,532	4,994	5,633	713	1,804	1,750	11,969	7,457
Feb.	4,552	5,359	6,199	770	1,736	-1,212	12,487	4,917

n.a. : Not available separately (included with Ordinary Business).

NOTE: A minus sign(-) denotes an increase in existing business in the registers concerned due to an excess of transfers from other States or conversions from other classes of business over discontinuances in those registers.

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VICTORIA - LIFE INSURANCE
NEW LOANS GRANTED BY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES
(Excluding Advances of Premiums)
(£'000)

Period	On Mortgages of Real Estate			On Com- panies' Policies	Other Loans			Total Loans
	Housing	Other	Total		To Build- ing or Housing Societies	Other	Total	
1957-58	)	(	14,769	1,820	)	(	760	17,349
1958-59	)	(	16,525	2,189	)	(	622	19,336
1959-60	) n.a.	n.a. (	17,946	2,443	) n.a.	n.a. (	1,285	21,674
1960-61	)	(	21,845	3,813	)	(	1,806	27,464
1961-62	)	(	12,605	3,300	)	(	766	16,671
1961 -								
Nov.	) n.a.	n.a. (	970	257	) n.a.	n.a. (	77	1,304
Dec.	) n.a.	n.a. (	1,243	251	) n.a.	n.a. (	146	1,640
1962 -								
Jan.	286	255	541	174	12	82	94	809
Feb.	360	410	770	230	11	10	21	1,021
Nov.	606	420	1,026	258	..	41	41	1,325
Dec.	606	663	1,269	229	24	40	64	1,562
1963 -								
Jan.	396	303	699	205	..	38	38	942
Feb.	388	267	655	228	17	5	22	905

n.a. : Not available.

VICTORIA - TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES (a)
(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed (b)				Balances Outstanding at End of Period (c)		
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors &c.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods	Total (All Goods)	Retail Businesses	Non- Retail Businesses	Total
1958-59	51,005	4,411	51,728	107,144	42,436	90,000	132,436
1959-60	68,226	5,385	52,989	126,600	53,710	108,147	161,857
1960-61	54,150	6,096	51,487	111,733	60,156	102,490	162,646
1961-62	47,431	5,306	46,193	98,930	59,574	92,911	152,485
1961 -							
June Qr.	9,917	1,151	10,647	21,715	60,156	102,490	162,646
Sep. Qr.	9,935	1,269	10,683	21,887	57,493	97,749	155,242
Dec. Qr.	12,324	1,625	13,466	27,415	60,498	95,786	156,284
1962 -							
Mar. Qr.	11,925	1,257	10,318	23,500	59,632	93,499	153,131
June Qr.	13,247	1,155	11,726	26,128	59,574	92,911	152,485
Sep. Qr.	15,514	1,238	11,646	28,398	57,699	96,048	153,747
Dec. Qr.	16,126	1,718	14,014	31,858	60,366	100,940	161,306

(a) Includes Hire Purchase and Other Instalment Credit (e.g. Time Payment, Budget Account and Personal Loan Schemes in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments) by Retail Businesses and by Businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves. (b) Excludes hiring charges and insurance. (c) Includes hiring charges and insurance.

Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods (b) (£'000)	Amount Financed (c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed(c) (Per Cent)	Balance Outstanding at End of Period(d) (£'000)
			Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		
MOTOR VEHICLES, TRACTORS, &c.						
1958-59	107,775	79,826	50,428	468	63.2)
1959-60	128,625	99,287	65,509	509	66.0)
1960-61	93,015	76,400	49,921	537	65.3)
1961-62	84,208	64,681	42,122	500	65.1)
1960 - Dec. Qr.	28,394	23,973	15,751	555	65.7)
1961 - Mar. Qr.	17,263	14,779	9,502	550	64.3	) (e)
June Qr.	17,579	14,142	9,086	517	64.2)
Sep. Qr.	18,784	13,752	8,894	473	64.7)
Dec. Qr.	21,443	17,004	11,050	515	65.0)
1962 - Mar. Qr.	20,929	16,234	10,584	506	65.2)
June Qr.	23,052	17,691	11,594	503	65.5)
Sep. Qr.	25,685	19,801	13,256	516	66.9)
Dec. Qr.	26,398	20,577	13,608	515	66.1)

PLANT AND MACHINERY

1958-59	12,078	6,587	4,302	356	65.3)
1959-60	11,666	7,725	5,250	450	68.0)
1960-61	10,917	8,669	6,000	550	69.2)
1961-62	11,340	7,651	5,185	457	67.8)
1960 - Dec. Qr.	3,786	3,000	1,990	526	66.3)
1961 - Mar. Qr.	2,281	1,984	1,296	568	65.3	) (e)
June Qr.	1,772	1,401	1,132	639	80.8)
Sep. Qr.	3,484	1,850	1,239	356	67.0)
Dec. Qr.	3,088	2,348	1,594	516	67.9)
1962 - Mar. Qr.	2,373	1,796	1,228	517	68.4)
June Qr.	2,395	1,657	1,124	469	67.8)
Sep. Qr.	2,409	1,793	1,234	512	68.8)
Dec. Qr.	3,120	2,551	1,713	549	67.2)

(a) The statistics on this and the following page relate to Hire Purchase operations by Retail Businesses, and also to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail, but do not retail goods themselves.

(b) Value at Net Cash or List Price (excluding Hiring Charges and Insurance).

NOTE : For footnotes (c) to (e) see page 19.

Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods(b) (£'000)	Amount Financed (c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed(c) (Per Cent)	Balances Outstanding at End of Period (d) (£'000)
			Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		
HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS						
1958-59	494,879	42,332	35,832	72	84.6)
1959-60	494,748	41,144	34,845	70	84.7)
1960-61	453,675	36,124	30,678	68	84.9)
1961-62	422,208	31,602	26,612	63	84.2)
1960 - Dec. Qr.	138,794	10,412	8,832	64	84.8	) (e)
1961 - Mar. Qr.	102,442	8,313	7,067	69	85.0)
June Qr.	90,803	7,224	6,117	67	84.7)
Sep. Qr.	100,785	7,587	6,467	64	85.2)
Dec. Qr.	124,965	8,864	7,442	60	84.0)
1962 - Mar. Qr.	99,592	7,579	6,336	64	83.6)
June Qr.	96,866	7,572	6,367	66	84.1)
Sep. Qr.	104,785	7,830	6,556	63	83.7)
Dec. Qr.	121,757	8,715	7,255	60	83.2)

TOTAL (ALL GOODS)

1958-59	614,732	128,745	90,562	147	70.3	119,923
1959-60	635,039	148,156	105,604	166	71.3	143,226
1960-61	557,607	121,193	86,599	155	71.5	136,900
1961-62	517,756	103,934	73,919	143	71.1	123,430
1960 - Dec. Qr.	170,974	37,385	26,573	155	71.1	150,744
1961 - Mar. Qr.	121,986	25,076	17,865	146	71.2	144,924
June Qr.	110,154	22,767	16,335	148	71.7	136,900
Sep. Qr.	123,053	23,189	16,600	135	71.6	130,965
Dec. Qr.	149,496	28,216	20,086	134	71.2	129,067
1962 - Mar. Qr.	122,894	25,609	18,148	148	70.9	125,594
June Qr.	122,313	26,920	19,085	156	70.9	123,430
Sep. Qr.	132,879	29,424	21,046	158	71.5	124,176
Dec. Qr.	151,275	31,843	22,576	149	70.9	127,769

For footnotes (a) and (b) see page 18.

(c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

(d) Includes hiring charges and insurance.

(e) Separate details are not available. See "TOTAL (ALL GOODS)" on this page for total balances outstanding.

VICTORIA - VALUE OF RETAIL SALES BY COMMODITY GROUPS
(£ Mill.)

Period	Food-stuffs (a)	Beer, Wine, and Spirits (b)	Clothing, Drapery, and Foot-wear	Hard-ware (c)	Elec-trical Goods (d)	Other Goods (e)	Total (Excl. Motor Vehicles, &c.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, &c. (f)
1956-57	226.3	63.5	127.2	18.2	35.2	131.9	602.3	160.2
1957-58	231.1	65.7	133.8	18.7	43.1	135.0	627.4	179.3
1958-59	242.1	68.9	136.8	19.8	49.0	140.9	657.5	189.5
1959-60	262.4	72.3	149.5	20.0	49.9	160.2	714.3	231.6
1960-61	286.0	75.9	154.6	20.0	47.0	168.4	751.9	230.1
1961-62	291.7	75.9	153.0	20.0	47.2	171.6	759.4	215.0
1958 -								
June Qr.	58.2	15.7	35.8	4.3	10.9	31.9	156.8	46.2
Sep. Qr.	58.8	15.5	32.4	4.8	12.6	33.4	157.5	46.1
Dec. Qr.	62.0	18.3	40.0	5.7	14.3	40.3	180.6	50.7
1959 -								
Mar. Qr.	60.5	18.7	28.3	4.6	11.0	32.2	155.3	45.2
June Qr.	60.8	16.4	36.1	4.7	11.1	35.0	164.1	47.5
Sep. Qr.	62.9	16.4	34.0	4.8	11.9	36.8	166.8	52.7
Dec. Qr.	67.6	19.7	43.5	5.7	14.1	45.7	196.3	62.6
1960 -								
Mar. Qr.	64.3	18.8	31.1	4.8	11.8	37.8	168.6	55.4
June Qr.	67.6	17.4	40.9	4.7	12.1	39.9	182.6	60.9
Sep. Qr.	69.7	17.2	37.1	4.9	12.4	41.0	182.3	64.3
Dec. Qr.	74.8	21.1	45.6	5.8	13.7	49.6	210.6	64.7
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	71.0	20.2	31.8	4.7	10.9	38.4	177.0	50.3
June Qr.	70.5	17.4	40.1	4.6	10.0	39.4	182.0	50.8
Sep. Qr.	72.4	17.6	35.8	4.8	10.7	41.9	183.2	50.1
Dec. Qr.	75.7	20.6	43.7	5.7	13.5	49.4	208.6	55.8
1962 -								
Mar. Qr.	71.2	19.7	32.0	4.8	11.2	39.3	178.2	52.6
June Qr.	72.4	18.0	41.5	4.7	11.8	41.0	189.4	56.5
Sep. Qr.	72.2	18.0	36.5	4.7	11.8	42.6	185.8	63.4
Dec. Qr.	77.4	21.2	45.5	5.7	14.2	52.3	216.3	66.8

(a) Includes groceries, butchers' meat, fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread.

(b) Excludes sales made by licensed clubs.

(c) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc.

(d) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc.

(e) Includes furniture, floor coverings, tobacco and cigarettes, newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods, jewellery, etc. Excludes grain and produce and business machines.

(f) Excludes tractors, farm machinery and implements, earthmoving equipment, etc.

NOTE : All figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census.
All figures from September, 1962 are subject to revision.

VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA - VALUE OF OVERSEA TRADE
(£'000 f.o.b.)

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Period	Victoria			Australia		
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
1952-53	173,775	228,118	54,343	514,109	871,272	357,163
1953-54	237,683	203,581	- 34,102	681,609	828,332	146,723
1954-55	297,494	216,572	- 80,922	843,742	774,164	- 69,578
1955-56	299,340	209,396	- 89,944	821,088	781,864	- 39,224
1956-57	254,946	255,752	806	718,991	992,906	273,915
1957-58	282,713	218,373	- 64,340	791,940	817,946	26,006
1958-59	291,297	219,551	- 71,746	796,599	811,463	14,864
1959-60	339,349	244,070	- 95,279	927,091	937,682	10,591
1960-61	399,972	246,971	-153,001	1,087,577	968,843	-118,734
1961-62	r 305,292	r 286,800	r- 18,492	884,746	1,077,284	192,538
1959 -						
Oct.	26,978	21,381	- 5,597	74,063	83,955	9,892
Nov.	26,694	22,468	- 4,226	74,321	87,426	13,105
Dec.	28,631	27,697	- 934	75,955	96,342	20,387
1960 -						
Jan.	26,194	19,942	- 6,252	75,508	73,264	- 2,244
Feb.	31,325	22,176	- 9,149	78,530	82,969	4,439
Mar.	31,488	24,550	- 6,938	88,320	88,145	- 175
Oct.	38,114	16,860	- 21,254	100,215	69,111	- 31,104
Nov.	29,667	17,257	- 12,410	89,762	95,073	5,311
Dec.	36,973	24,140	- 12,833	91,666	83,591	- 8,075
1961 -						
Jan.	38,958	21,488	- 17,470	99,889	82,572	- 17,317
Feb.	35,206	24,782	- 10,424	95,071	79,905	- 15,166
Mar.	32,273	23,197	- 9,076	89,650	87,866	- 1,784
Oct.	24,728	28,030	3,302	68,846	96,395	27,549
Nov.	23,245	29,831	6,586	70,291	101,967	31,676
Dec.	22,221	24,501	2,280	61,911	83,535	21,624
1962 -						
Jan.	27,207	24,793	- 2,414	82,165	95,754	13,589
Feb.	23,219	24,517	1,298	69,334	86,449	17,115
Mar.	26,568	23,044	- 3,524	r 77,588	r 89,705	r 12,117
Oct.	r 35,998	r 22,493	r- 13,505	r 93,820	87,841	r- 5,979
Nov.	r 34,970	32,626	r- 2,344	r 95,371	102,677	r 7,306
Dec.	26,645	25,212	- 1,433	r 74,761	88,395	r 13,634
1963 -						
Jan.	r 37,127	32,650	r- 4,477	103,785	96,892	- 6,893
Feb.	30,098	22,749	- 7,349	78,698	90,524	11,826
Mar.	28,477	30,571	2,094	81,267	95,809	14,542

NOTE : Minus sign (-) denotes excess of imports.

All figures from July, 1962 are subject to revision.

r : Revised.

Period	Wool Sold			Amount Realized				Average Price of
	Greasy and Scoured			Melb- ourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat	Total	Greasy Wool at Auction in Victoria (Incl. Albury)
	Melb- ourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat					
	'000 bales			£'000				pence per lb.
1951-52	576.6	308.6	114.3	46,987	28,194	8,960	84,141	68.65
1952-53	626.2	335.6	131.4	59,334	35,857	11,659	106,850	79.10
1953-54	577.1	306.8	124.0	55,438	32,946	11,370	99,754	82.24
1954-55	617.2	359.3	135.5	53,895	34,137	11,233	99,265	73.37
1955-56	669.5	382.7	142.7	50,538	30,877	10,139	91,554	62.22
1956-57	761.6	442.6	157.2	72,751	45,761	13,890	132,402	79.87
1957-58	679.9	448.5	123.7	51,648	36,649	9,226	97,523	63.82
1958-59	738.9	437.9	148.7	44,970	28,010	8,947	81,927	49.89
1959-60	784.2	480.7	151.1	56,685	37,603	10,868	105,156	60.11
1960-61	780.1	480.4	129.5	51,577	35,488	6,535	93,600	53.66
1961-62	823.1	479.1	139.2	56,581	34,990	9,220	100,791	55.56
1961-62 July-May	772.7	467.9	130.9	53,591	34,406	8,786	96,783	54.60
1962-63 July-May	742.2	436.0	137.5	54,671	35,484	9,935	100,090	60.82
1961 - July	0.2	..	..	7	..	..	7	64.50
Aug.	62.6	..	..	4,468	..	..	4,468	55.11
Sep.	70.5	16.9	25.1	5,032	1,200	1,767	7,999	56.30
Oct.	98.0	83.4	22.1	6,840	6,184	1,517	14,541	56.57
Nov.	98.1	48.8	23.1	6,839	3,675	1,603	12,117	57.06
Dec.	63.7	49.0	21.4	4,283	3,578	1,410	9,271	55.50
1962 - Jan.	62.9	45.6	..	4,232	3,211	..	7,443	54.62
Feb.	67.1	47.3	19.3	4,831	3,641	1,276	9,748	58.36
Mar.	131.0	47.7	19.2	9,495	3,597	1,161	14,253	57.18
Apr.	14.3	43.5	0.7	942	3,283	52	4,277	58.21
May	104.3	85.7	..	6,622	6,037	..	12,659	52.69
June	50.4	11.2	8.3	2,990	584	434	4,008	45.37
July	0.1	..	..	5	..	..	5	38.75
Aug.	59.7	..	..	3,744	..	..	3,744	48.48
Sep.	107.3	20.2	21.4	7,030	1,370	1,391	9,791	51.60
Oct.	63.5	54.4	41.0	4,359	4,086	2,876	11,321	57.50
Nov.	129.3	76.5	22.1	9,321	6,079	1,567	16,967	59.76
Dec.	64.3	49.0	1.2	4,911	3,966	83	8,960	62.52
1963 - Jan.	61.3	43.5	25.0	5,147	3,652	2,048	10,847	67.19
Feb.	62.0	48.0	..	5,132	4,235	..	9,367	68.44
Mar.	101.2	48.1	26.1	8,091	4,141	1,917	14,149	64.60
Apr.	25.2	46.7	0.7	1,842	3,976	53	5,871	65.52
May	68.3	49.6	..	5,089	3,979	..	9,068	61.46

Source : National Council of Wool Selling Brokers.

(Excluding Electric Tramways and Road Motor
Services under the Control of the Railway Commissioners)

Period	Traffic Train Mileage	No. of Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (Excl. Livestock)	Live- stock Carried	Earnings (a)	Working Expenses (b)	Excess of Earnings Over Working Expenses
	'000		'000 tons			£'000	
1954-55	18,740	169,204	9,508	575	37,667	37,032	635
1955-56	18,635	166,708	9,127	480	37,032	38,026	- 994
1956-57	18,544	167,405	8,935	445	37,352	39,118	- 1,766
1957-58	18,353	167,662	8,385	507	35,954	38,174	- 2,220
1958-59	18,426	163,484	8,840	455	38,150	38,123	27
1959-60	18,282	158,294	9,281	407	39,190	39,557	- 367
1960-61	18,232	149,929	10,685	292	42,987	41,627	1,360
1961-62	18,902	152,768	10,086	264	42,557	42,906	- 349
1959 -							
Sep.	1,546	14,104	726	46	3,347	3,208	139
Oct.	1,623	15,283	740	56	3,249	3,279	- 30
Nov.	1,531	12,761	718	56	3,240	3,123	117
Dec.	1,649	10,796	694	40	3,227	3,356	- 129
1960 -							
Jan.	1,500	12,768	763	27	3,368	3,179	189
Feb.	1,471	16,806	783	26	3,252	2,945	307
Sep.	1,444	15,272	821	27	3,566	3,333	233
Oct.	1,467	12,448	812	36	3,555	3,311	244
Nov.	1,479	10,851	832	37	3,529	3,397	132
Dec.	1,572	9,907	795	26	3,417	3,481	- 64
1961 -							
Jan.	1,558	11,994	998	18	3,982	3,410	572
Feb.	1,490	15,612	1,074	18	3,931	3,044	887
Sep.	1,534	15,689	794	23	3,607	3,543	64
Oct.	1,599	12,794	851	37	3,664	3,577	87
Nov.	1,577	10,930	813	32	3,446	3,359	87
Dec.	1,544	10,439	728	19	3,314	3,526	- 212
1962 -							
Jan.	1,518	12,167	900	19	3,817	3,766	51
Feb.	1,635	15,762	829	18	3,671	3,273	398
Sep.	1,565	15,588	730	26	3,410	3,390	20
Oct.	1,635	12,578	853	39	3,729	3,711	18
Nov.	1,626	10,911	771	34	3,456	3,539	- 83
Dec.	1,635	10,502	749	22	3,339	3,558	- 219
1963 -							
Jan.	1,653	12,013	1,088	23	4,140	3,688	452
Feb.	1,570	15,427	959	24	3,893	3,307	586

Source : Victorian Railways Department.

(a) Excludes grants from consolidated revenue.

(b) Includes cost of pensions and pay-roll tax.

NOTE : Minus sign (-) denotes excess of working expenses over earnings.

CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED AT VICTORIAN PORTS
('000 Tons)

Period	Cargo Discharged				Cargo Shipped			
	Oversea		Interstate		Oversea		Interstate	
	Weight	Measure- ment (a)	Weight	Measure- ment (a)	Weight	Measure- ment (a)	Weight	Measure- ment (a)
1952-53	2,474	630	2,275	189	1,016	505	404	263
1953-54	2,871	943	2,216	344	856	493	462	423
1954-55	3,938	1,286	2,223	354	1,264	556	883	423
1955-56	4,679	1,306	2,469	369	1,359	550	1,193	372
1956-57	4,665	949	2,412	307	1,467	514	1,164	388
1957-58	4,810	1,032	2,505	339	1,093	541	1,371	365
1958-59	4,924	981	2,740	342	1,619	528	1,111	382
1959-60	5,392	1,228	2,519	491	1,503	532	1,371	537
1960-61	5,707	1,601	2,294	611	2,108	515	1,496	529
1961-62	5,879	1,009	2,183	484	2,804	530	1,468	498
1959 -								
Aug.	471	108	231	35	91	48	105	36
Sep.	427	77	232	35	118	39	122	33
Oct.	473	94	253	39	98	52	120	52
Nov.	422	100	225	61	161	38	99	51
Dec.	396	98	212	38	77	44	144	45
1960 -								
Jan.	463	86	165	35	140	38	62	40
Aug.	419	165	214	41	64	34	98	43
Sep.	450	115	203	37	133	43	139	49
Oct.	535	132	206	54	120	48	125	53
Nov.	576	108	204	41	125	25	107	41
Dec.	362	303	172	44	153	43	166	51
1961 -								
Jan.	509	142	210	41	220	37	121	40
Aug.	519	80	238	36	274	34	130	39
Sep.	632	63	194	29	335	42	85	44
Oct.	485	117	269	38	270	40	135	57
Nov.	483	84	130	45	248	49	144	51
Dec.	536	72	191	38	271	37	109	48
1962 -								
Jan.	478	84	158	45	177	20	148	36
Aug.	676	117	145	41	172	47	144	22
Sep.	530	95	142	58	162	44	139	45
Oct.	679	168	246	22	231	46	145	33
Nov.	575	91	182	34	235	60	221	28
Dec.	605	90	154	15	272	33	208	19
1963 -								
Jan.	559	114	177	29	192	27	140	40

NOTE : All figures from July, 1962 are subject to revision.

(a) Cargo recorded by measurement is calculated on the basis of 40 cu. ft. = 1 ton.

Period	Cars (b)	Station Wagons	Utilities	Panel Vans	Other (c)	Total Excluding Motor Cycles	Motor Cycles (d)
1952-53	26,377	397	6,618	1,146	3,694	38,232	1,205*
1953-54	33,708	671	6,673	1,474	3,652	46,178	2,358
1954-55	46,728	800	8,553	2,586	4,768	63,435	2,363
1955-56	48,496	1,167	8,899	3,414	5,256	67,232	2,244
1956-57	42,701	1,161	7,386	3,001	4,319	58,568	1,963
1957-58	45,948	3,897	7,592	3,954	3,962	65,353	2,142
1958-59	45,058	7,868	7,114	5,201	4,421	69,662	2,280
1959-60	57,410	12,787	7,124	5,106	5,007	87,434	2,220
1960-61	52,515	14,485	6,094	3,476	5,234	81,804	1,356
1961-62	45,270	14,215	5,298	3,041	3,978	71,802	737
1959 -							
Nov.	5,220	901	579	486	356	7,542	167
Dec.	6,090	1,161	772	492	447	8,962	229
1960 -							
Jan.	3,752	715	516	252	309	5,544	183
Feb.	4,514	1,173	507	316	399	6,909	239
Mar.	5,210	1,140	588	350	526	7,814	258
Apr.	4,610	1,018	530	292	410	6,860	179
Nov.	5,872	1,467	539	307	467	8,652	105
Dec.	4,230	1,286	498	294	456	6,764	109
1961 -							
Jan.	2,644	860	367	178	307	4,356	109
Feb.	2,973	940	478	237	399	5,027	122
Mar.	4,255	1,396	504	295	370	6,820	81
Apr.	3,156	1,062	446	265	304	5,233	81
Nov.	4,041	1,424	428	275	375	6,543	48
Dec.	3,392	1,229	412	226	336	5,595	73
1962 -							
Jan.	3,046	943	362	192	281	4,824	76
Feb.	3,690	1,145	418	265	300	5,818	73
Mar.	4,561	1,435	555	321	323	7,195	77
Apr.	3,743	1,101	484	265	323	5,916	58
Nov.	5,915	1,977	466	288	444	9,090	56
Dec.	4,580	1,656	398	207	384	7,225	65
1963 -							
Jan.	4,275	1,406	379	144	335	6,539	62
Feb.	4,508	1,414	412	262	386	6,982	49
Mar.	4,931	1,722	665	339	381	8,038	51
Apr.	4,427	1,444	591	290	432	7,184	50

(a) Excludes defence service vehicles, but includes other Commonwealth-owned vehicles.

(b) Includes ambulances and hearses.

(c) Includes trucks, omnibuses, etc.

(d) Includes motor scooters.

* First 6 months of 1953.

NOTE : Between 1st February, 1955, and 30th June, 1959, figures include extra-metropolitan registrations for month prior to that indicated.

VICTORIA - ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS
ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CASUALTIES AS REPORTED BY THE POLICE

Period	City of Melbourne (a)			Metropolitan Area (b) Excluding City of Melbourne		
	Accidents Involving Casualties	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
1953-54	1,142	38	1,326	4,971	186	5,917
1954-55	1,108	38	1,282	5,110	203	6,035
1955-56	1,075	26	1,225	5,248	192	6,307
1956-57	1,074	25	1,287	5,398	205	6,621
1957-58	1,098	29	1,314	5,501	187	6,881
1958-59	1,021	41	1,229	6,967	240	8,799
1959-60	1,143	30	1,386	6,892	283	8,780
1960-61	1,079	41	1,396	6,945	326	9,065
1961-62	990	48	1,245	6,656	350	8,727
1961 -						
June Qr.	282	11	351	1,815	94	2,315
Sep. Qr.	278	15	355	1,739	100	2,171
Dec. Qr.	228	11	268	1,626	76	2,225
1962 -						
June Qr.	252	9	321	1,832	111	2,401
Sep. Qr.	271	14	339	1,889	106	2,476
Dec. Qr.	241	4	323	1,760	83	2,395
1963 -						
Mar. Qr.	p 206	p 6	p 270	p 1,567	p 62	p 2,112
Remainder of State			Total - Victoria			
Period	Accidents Involving Casualties	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
1953-54	4,424	345	6,108	10,537	569	13,351
1954-55	3,999	287	5,516	10,217	528	12,833
1955-56	4,283	364	5,951	10,606	582	13,483
1956-57	4,332	359	6,212	10,804	589	14,120
1957-58	4,634	355	6,820	11,233	571	15,015
1958-59	4,474	380	6,756	12,462	661	16,784
1959-60	4,232	385	6,429	12,267	698	16,595
1960-61	4,116	406	6,296	12,140	773	16,757
1961-62	3,993	420	6,102	11,639	818	16,074
1961 -						
June Qr.	1,031	95	1,539	3,128	200	4,205
Sep. Qr.	932	104	1,369	2,949	219	3,895
Dec. Qr.	943	100	1,440	2,797	187	3,933
1962 -						
June Qr.	1,069	110	1,662	3,153	230	4,384
Sep. Qr.	955	89	1,465	3,115	209	4,280
Dec. Qr.	1,017	100	1,537	3,018	187	4,255
1963 -						
Mar. Qr.	p 1,114	p 107	p 1,774	p 2,887	p 175	p 4,156

(a) Municipality of Melbourne.

(b) Re-defined and enlarged in 1954 and 1961.

p : Preliminary.

Period	Gross Connections of Telephone Services			Television Viewers' Licences (a)	Broadcast Listeners' Licences (a)	Post Office Revenue (b)
	Metro.	Country	Total			
			'000			£'000
1952-53	)	(	36.6	..	533.3	19,164.7
1953-54	)	(	38.5	..	545.2	20,118.0
1954-55	)	(	42.5	..	549.7	21,093.5
1955-56	) n.a.	n.a. (	49.6	..	554.3	22,910.4
1956-57	)	(	43.4	45.0	554.9	26,059.4
1957-58	)	(	49.6	147.7	558.0	27,649.9
1958-59	)	(	51.2	270.1	605.3	29,662.1
1959-60	33.4	14.5	47.9	353.1	606.6	35,275.8
1960-61	39.0	16.6	55.6	401.4	589.4	38,820.7
1961-62	40.2	17.1	57.3	460.6	585.8	39,930.9
1959 -						
Nov.	2.6	1.2	3.8	301.1	591.5	2,627.1
Dec.	2.8	1.4	4.2	307.9	593.4	3,266.6
1960 -						
Jan.	2.2	1.1	3.3	312.8	597.6	2,968.8
Feb.	2.4	1.1	3.5	320.6	602.1	2,927.4
Mar.	2.4	0.8	3.2	327.3	600.6	3,201.4
Apr.	2.6	0.8	3.4	332.8	597.6	2,556.9
Nov.	3.0	1.6	4.6	383.1	603.9	3,297.3
Dec.	2.8	1.2	4.0	384.4	603.3	3,618.4
1961 -						
Jan.	2.2	1.0	3.2	386.3	598.5	3,015.0
Feb.	2.5	1.4	3.9	386.4	593.1	3,208.6
Mar.	3.0	1.4	4.4	391.7	593.8	3,401.8
Apr.	2.4	1.3	3.7	392.0	589.7	2,844.3
Nov.	3.5	1.4	4.9	426.3	587.8	3,250.1
Dec.	3.3	1.5	4.8	429.5	590.9	3,585.6
1962 -						
Jan.	2.4	1.1	3.5	433.3	590.5	3,183.6
Feb.	2.9	1.2	4.1	437.3	589.3	3,411.7
Mar.	3.3	1.2	4.5	444.7	591.3	3,385.8
Apr.	2.9	1.2	4.1	448.7	590.8	2,999.4
Nov.	3.6	1.6	5.2	498.8	600.2	3,405.7
Dec.	3.3	1.3	4.6	499.6	596.3	3,364.6
1963 -						
Jan.	2.7	1.5	4.2	506.7	602.1	3,802.2
Feb.	3.0	1.5	4.5	511.7	605.2	3,403.9
Mar.	3.9	1.6	5.5	519.6	606.9	3,404.4
Apr.	3.4	1.5	4.9	522.8	607.7	3,202.2

Source : Postmaster-General's Department.

(a) In force at end of period.

(b) Excludes Radio and Television receipts.

n.a. : Not available.

VICTORIA - RAINFALL IN DISTRICTS
(Inches)

Period	Mallee	Wimmera	Western	Northern Country	North Central	Central	North East	Gipps- land
1911-40(a)	12.49	17.52	27.59	18.09	28.16	28.89	34.81	33.47
1956	20.85	24.31	34.02	31.45	41.17	34.29	55.59	44.25
1957	9.67	14.87	26.82	13.55	23.01	24.85	27.32	31.98
1958	15.45	17.65	29.05	21.40	31.57	28.99	37.78	35.42
1959	9.97	15.16	24.46	16.56	26.09	26.53	27.69	33.63
1960	18.08	24.75	36.01	22.70	38.45	34.98	40.16	37.26
1961	13.44	15.07	24.03	14.90	25.27	22.90	26.60	33.04
1962	11.29	17.69	25.99	18.85	27.77	26.07	33.78	31.41
1911-40(b)								
Jan.	0.68	0.74	1.19	1.04	1.37	1.66	1.83	2.49
Feb.	1.02	1.14	1.57	1.27	1.73	1.87	2.01	2.33
Mar.	0.65	0.79	1.59	1.16	1.72	2.22	2.22	2.68
Apr.	0.82	1.18	2.15	1.33	2.12	2.41	2.48	2.74
May	1.23	1.77	2.69	1.68	2.58	2.41	3.05	2.65
June	1.32	1.97	2.89	2.06	3.18	2.67	4.26	3.05
July	1.23	1.97	2.91	1.85	3.02	2.47	3.82	2.86
Aug.	1.24	1.94	3.19	1.84	3.11	2.71	4.03	2.90
Sep.	1.27	2.00	2.97	1.82	2.83	2.78	3.27	2.93
Oct.	1.22	1.51	2.50	1.65	2.52	2.90	3.20	3.25
Nov.	0.86	1.22	2.11	1.13	1.94	2.43	2.23	2.74
Dec.	0.95	1.29	1.83	1.26	2.04	2.36	2.41	2.85
1961 -								
Oct.	0.52	1.34	2.05	0.85	2.23	1.95	2.29	2.56
Nov.	2.38	1.08	1.24	1.15	1.55	0.97	2.46	1.64
Dec.	2.11	2.03	1.97	1.51	2.05	1.40	2.78	2.31
1962 -								
Jan.	2.11	0.98	0.79	3.09	2.77	1.85	3.52	3.87
Feb.	0.12	0.48	1.25	0.30	0.91	1.33	0.67	1.89
Mar.	0.38	0.71	1.57	0.95	1.74	0.87	1.66	0.77
Apr.	0.07	0.27	0.77	0.40	0.64	1.10	1.64	1.51
May	1.40	2.33	3.54	2.59	4.54	4.62	5.66	4.26
June	0.99	2.62	4.24	1.54	3.15	2.29	4.05	2.33
July	0.87	1.03	1.95	1.73	2.79	2.48	2.40	2.09
Aug.	1.35	2.41	3.04	2.32	3.31	2.70	3.92	3.11
Sep.	1.18	2.64	2.83	2.16	2.30	2.68	2.59	3.82
Oct.	0.87	2.23	3.85	1.39	2.91	3.67	3.20	2.92
Nov.	0.26	0.66	1.02	0.95	1.33	1.02	2.01	1.38
Dec.	1.69	1.33	1.14	1.43	1.38	1.46	2.46	3.46
1963 -								
Jan.	2.10	3.18	5.01	2.49	4.42	4.52	4.43	3.89
Feb.	0.16	0.25	0.76	0.24	0.86	1.56	0.71	1.79
Mar.	1.82	0.90	1.05	1.72	1.35	1.31	1.44	1.46
Apr.	1.70	0.28	0.45	0.55	0.63	0.92	0.78	1.75
May	1.67	2.41	4.15	3.39	5.45	4.20	5.23	7.17

Source : Commonwealth Bureau of Meteorology.

(a) Average rainfall per year over a standard 30 years' period.

(b) Average rainfall per month over a standard 30 years' period.

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3rd June, 1963.

VICTORIA COMPARED WITH AUSTRALIA

Item	Unit	Date or Period	Victoria	Australia	Percentage (a)
Area	sq.miles	..	87,884	2,971,081	2.96
Population (Estimated)	No.	Dec., 1962	3,013,447	10,810,371	27.88
Population Increase	No.	1962	62,657	206,440	30.35
Natural Increase	No.	1962	40,043	143,918	27.82
Marriages	No.	1962	22,393	79,090	28.31
Births	No.	1962	65,890	237,081	27.79
Deaths	No.	1962	25,847	93,163	27.74
Infant Deaths	No.	1962	1,219	4,840	25.19
Age Pensioners	No.	Dec., 1962	154,878	599,599	25.83
Unemployed on Benefit	No.	Mar., 1963	6,268	36,269	17.28
Wage and Salary Earners in Civilian Employment (b)	'000	Mar., 1963	925.0	3,157.5	29.30
Average Weekly Wages per Employed Male Unit	£	Mar., 1963	23.93	23.09	..
Rural Holdings	No.	1961-62	69,866	(c) 252,688	27.65
Area of All Crops	'000 acres	1961-62	5,205	(c) 29,219	17.81
Net Value of Rural Production	£ mill.	1961-62	262	(c) 1,014	25.84
Area Irrigated	'000 acres	1960-61	(d) 1,007	2,024	49.75
Area of Crops Fertilized	'000 acres	1961-62	4,194	(c) 19,936	21.04
Area of Pasture Fertilized	'000 acres	1961-62	9,661	(c) 27,572	35.04
Area -					
Wheat for Grain	'000 acres	1961-62	2,849	(c) 14,723	19.35
Oats for Grain	'000 acres	1961-62	774	(c) 3,097	24.99
Orchards	'000 acres	1961-62	76	(c) 298	25.50
Vineyards	'000 acres	1961-62	46	(c) 134	34.33
Numbers -					
Dairy Cattle	'000	1961-62	1,824	(c) 5,046	36.15
Beef Cattle	'000	1961-62	1,332	(c) 13,021	10.23
Sheep	'000	1961-62	27,533	(c) 157,714	17.46
Wool Production	mill.lbs.	1961-62	(c) 331	(c) 1,700	19.47
Factories	No.	1961-62	17,300	58,448	29.60
Factory Employment (e)	'000	1961-62	378	1,120	33.75
Value of Production in Factories	£ mill.	1961-62	717	2,197	32.64
Electricity Generated	mill.kWh.	1961-62	6,739	26,450	25.48
Value of New Buildings Completed	£'000	1962	151,673	539,891	28.09
New Dwellings Completed (Houses and Flats)	No.	1962	23,276	86,776	26.82
Motor Vehicles on Register	'000	Feb., 1963	961	3,265	29.43
Road Traffic Accidents Involving Casualties	No.	1961-62	11,639	43,783	26.58
Television Licences in Force	'000	Apr., 1963	523	1,635	31.99
Radio Licences in Force	'000	Apr., 1963	608	2,261	26.89
Direct Oversea Exports	£ mill.	1961-62	287	1,077	26.65
Direct Oversea Imports	£ mill.	1961-62	305	885	34.46
Retail Sales (Including Motor Vehicles)	£ mill.	1962	1,009	3,581	28.18
Instalment Credit for Retail Sales:					
Balance Outstanding	£'000	June, 1962	151,259	579,462	26.10
Personal Income	£ mill.	1959-60	1,538	5,239	29.36
Savings Bank Deposits	£ mill.	Mar., 1963	622	1,888	32.94

(a) Proportion Victoria to Australia. (b) Excludes rural workers, female private domestic and Defence Forces. (c) Subject to revision. (d) State Rivers and Water Supply Commission Area only. (e) Includes working proprietors.